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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Alcoa Power Generating Inc.

Project No. 2197-100

Notice of Application Accepted for Filing, Soliciting Comments, Motions to Intervene, and Protests

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

a. Type of Application: Temporary License Variance to Drawdown Narrows
 Reservoir to 20 feet in November/December 2012 for about 18 days.

b. Project No.: 2197-100

c. Date Filed: August 29, 2012

d. Applicant: Alcoa Power Generating Inc.

e. Name of Project: Yadkin River Hydroelectric Project

f. Location: The project is located on the Yadkin/Pee Dee River in

Montgomery, Stanly, Davidson, Rowan, and Davie Counties, North Carolina.

g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act, 16 USC 791a-825r.

h. Applicant Contact: Mark Gross, Vice President, Operations Alcoa Power

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i. FERC Contact: Mrs. Anumzziatta Purchiaroni, (202) 502-6191,Anumzziatta.Purchiaroni@ferc.gov

j. Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, and protests, **October 3, 2012.**All documents may be filed electronically via the Internet. See, 18 CFR
385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site at
http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp. If unable to be filed electronically,
documents may be paper-filed. To paper-file, an original and seven copies should be
mailed to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE,
Washington, DC 20426. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000
characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at
http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments.

Please include the project number (P-2197-100) on any comments, motions, or recommendations filed.

k. Description of proposed amendment: Alcoa Power Generating Inc. (APGI) filed a request for a temporary variance from the operating guidelines of their license to allow a one-time drawdown of Narrows Reservoir up to 20 feet. The purpose of the drawdown is to allow APGI to implement a remediation plan, which requires placing a cover system

over polychlorinated biphenyl impacted sediments located in the southern portion of Narrows Reservoir. APGI stated that it anticipates that the duration of the remediation project would be for about 7 weeks, starting in early November 2012. APGI indicated that the period includes about 18 days to draw the reservoir down, maintaining a low stage for about 7 to 14 days, and 18 days to refill the reservoir. APGI stated that it would be able to comply with all the operating requirements of its license during the event.

- 1. Locations of the Application: A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street, NE, Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 502-8371. This filing may also be viewed on the Commission's website at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. You may also register online at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, call 1-866-208-3676 or e-mail feec.gov, for TTY, call (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item (h) above.
- m. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

- n. Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene: Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, 214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.
- o. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents: Any filing must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "PROTEST", or "MOTION TO INTERVENE" as applicable; (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, motions to intervene, or protests must set forth their evidentiary basis and otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 4.34(b). All comments, motions to intervene, or protests should relate to project works which are the subject of the license surrender. Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. A copy of any protest or motion to intervene must be served upon each representative of the applicant specified in the particular application. If an intervener files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a

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particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource

agency. A copy of all other filings in reference to this application must be accompanied

by proof of service on all persons listed in the service list prepared by the Commission in

this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 4.34(b) and 385.2010.

Dated: September 17, 2012

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary.

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